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PRESS RELEASE

PHILADELPHIA – United States Attorney Patrick L. Meehan today announced the indictment of Tyrone Payton, also known as “Amin,” charging him with wire fraud, identity theft and aggravated identity theft.¹ The indictment alleges that Tyrone Payton used a stolen identity to obtain instant credit at Philadelphia Macy’s and Circuit City retail stores and then to make purchases on that fraudulently obtained credit.

INFORMATION REGARDING THE DEFENDANT

NAME	ADDRESS	AGE
Tyrone Payton	Philadelphia, PA	48 years old

If convicted, the defendant faces a maximum possible sentence of 89 years imprisonment, a fine of \$1,750,000, 3 years of supervised release and a \$700 special assessment.

The case was investigated by the United States Secret Service, the Philadelphia Police Department, and the case has been assigned to Assistant United States Attorney W. Craig Williams.

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